MINUTES

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH ANNIVERSARY AND

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Chestatee Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Mt. Olive Church

October 12th, 13th, 14th, 1945

MODERATOR
J. E. GRIZZLE, Dahlonega, Ga.

CLERK
C. H. STRINGER, Murrayville, Ga., Rt. 1

The next session of this body will be held with East View Church, two and one-half miles north of Gainesville, Ga., on Highway No. 13, starting on Friday before the Second Sunday in October, 1946.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in only one true and living God—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and these are not three Gods, but one God.

2. We believe that the Old and the New Testaments are the Word of God and are the only rule of faith and practice.

3. In the Fall of Adam, and the imputation of his sin to his posterity, in the corruption of human nature and the impotency of man to recover himself by his own free will and ability.

4. In election according to the foreknowledge of God the Father through satisfaction of the spirit and belief of the truth.

5. That sinners were justified in the sight of God only by the righteousness of Christ imputed to them.

6. That all of those who were chosen in Christ will be effectually called, regenerated, converted, sanctified and supported by His power so that they shall persevere in grace and not one of them finally be lost.

7. That good works are the fruits of faith, and follow after justification, and that they only justify us in the sight of men and angels and are evidences of our gracious state.

8. That there will be a resurrection of the dead and general judgment; that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's supper are ordinances of the church and washing the saints' feet is an example to be kept up by the church.

D E C O R U M

1. That this Association shall be composed of members who have been regularly chosen by their churches and come recommended by letter which shall represent their appointment by the number of members in their church; also the number which has been received; dismissed, excommunicated, restored or dead in the past year.

2. This Association claims no power over the eternal rights of a church as they do not lord it over God's heritage, but would only assume the character of an advisory council consistent with which the churches allow us to act. She shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be appointed annually by the members present, and shall stay in office until the next appointment.

3. No church shall be permitted to have more than three delegates in this Association until her number in fellowship exceeds one hundred, and then one delegate to every fifty members afterwards.

4. Every application made by a church for admittance into this Association must be done by petition, by letter, and if found orthodox, and received, the Moderator shall testify their reception by giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

5. No query will receive the attention of this Association only those that are sent under the authority and request of a church.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the observation of the Association, if considered in order, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

7. Every member who speaks in debate shall rise to his feet and address the Moderator and shall not be interrupted while speaking except when he departs from the subject, but shall not be permitted to speak more than three times on one subject without the consent of the Association.

8. This Association shall always begin and end each day's session with prayer. The members must observe good order while in session and not absent themselves from same without leave of the Moderator.

MT. OLIVE CHURCH

Lumpkin County, Georgia

October 12, 1945

The Chestate Baptist Association met today on its one hundred and tenth anniversary. This marking its one hundred and sixth annual session the Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. C. L. Palmour. His text was the 69th chapter of Psalms and the 9th verse, "For the Zeal of Thine House Hath Eaten Me Up and the Reproaches of Them that Reproached Thee are Fallen Upon Me."

Then the delegates took a recess for two hours for dinner and preaching, and then met back and were called to order by the Moderator and were led in prayer by Rev. N. M. Grizzle.

Moderator apppointed Rev. Claud Hood, Bro. Elbert Kanaday and Silas Underwood to read letters from the churches.

1. Antioch—Not represented.
2. Bethlehem—Taylor Dowdy.
3. Cane Creek—Not represented.
4. Cavender's Creek—Arthur Lance.
5. Concord—Gordon Parks, Rev. J. E. Grizzle, Joe B. Anderson.
6. Cooper's Creek—Ray Woody.
7. Corinth—Not represented.
8. Duke's Creek—W. D. Adams, J. H. Dean, Capus Abernathy.
9. Hightower—Lewis Rider.
10. Mt. Gilead—G. W. Barnes, W. R. Parrish, W. J. Dyer.
11. Mt. Airy—Not represented.
12. Mt. Olive—Carl Sullens, Loy Sullens, Frank Ledford.
13. Mt. Pisgah—Not represented.
14. Mt. Sinai—J. C. Fields, R. V. Martin.
15. Mt. Zion No. 2—C. H. Stringer, Oliver Grindle, Will Anderson, Robt. Stringer, Rev. C. L. Palmour.
16. Mt. Lebanon—Not represented.
17. Pleasant Hill—Rev. John Justus, Claud Gaddis.
18. Nimblewill—T. R. Carder.
19. Mt Pleasant No. 2—Hershel Gillreath, J. L. Gooch.
20. Salem—Lee Grizzle.
21. Pleasant Valley—Fletcher Wilkins.
22. Town Creek—J. C. Turner.
23. Yahoola—Rev. C. W. Ash, Rev. N. M. Grizzle, Fred Butler, Arthur Lee.
24. Philippi—J. N. Grindle, C. R. Welchf, John Howard.

25. East View—Rev. Wiley Jones, Rev. H. R. Howard, Earl Smith.
26. New Bethel—Robert Talley, Rev. A. G. Barrett, Poley Anderson.

Called for petitionary letters, and one joined, New Bethel church.

Moderator appointed Rev. Claud Hood, Elbert Kanaday and Silas Underwood to hold the election to elect Moderator and Clerk for next year, 1946. Rev. J. E. Grizzle was elected Moderator and C. H. Stringer Clerk.

Then invitations were given to visitors. Rev. Jimmy Peck, Chattahoochee Association; Silas Underwood, W. A. Abercrombie, Harry C. Smith, Chattahoochee Association; E. T. Kanaday, Friendship church, were given seats with the body.

Then called for corresponding messengers. None received.

Moderator appointed the following committees:

Committee on Arrangements—G. W. Barnes, Loy Sullens, Charlie Welch, Lewis Rider, W. D. Adams.

Committee on Preaching—Gordon Parks, Carl Sullens, Frank Ledford.

Committee on Sunday School—Rev. C. W. Ash, Rev. N. M. Grizzle, Joe Dyer, Rev. C. L. Palmour, W. J. Anderson, Rev. H. R. Howard, Oliver Grindle, Poley Anderson.

Committee on Queries—Taylor Dowdy, Arthur Lance, Arthur Lee.

Committee on Temperance—Rev. N. M. Grizzle, Wiley Jones, Joe B. Anderson, Robt. Stringer, Rev. John Justus.

Committee on Finance—Fred Butler, Hershel Gillreath, Taylor Dowdy, Roy Woody, Claud Gaddis.

Committee on Pastoral Support—John Howard, R. V. Martin, Earl Smith, J. N. Grindle.

Committee on Deceased Members—J. L. Gooch, F. A. Wilkins, Lee Grizzle, W. R. Parrish, B. E. Fields.

Committee on Resolutions—Theo Carder, T. H. Dean, T. C. Turner, J. C. Fields.

On motion this body adjourned until 9 o'clock Saturday morning.

Saturday morning, met back according to adjournment and was called to order by the Moderator, and led in prayer by Rev. Luther Christy.

Then renewed invitations to visitors—Rev. Luther Christy, W. W. Satterfield, L. A. Baily, Geo. Adams, from Wahoo, were given seats with the body.

Then called the roll and marked absentees.

Then Moderator called for the committee reports.

REPORT ON ARRANGEMENTS

We, your Committee on Arrangements, submit the following:

1. Preach the Introductory sermon.
2. Read the Letters from the Churches.
3. Call for Petitionary Letters.
4. Elect Moderator and Clerk.
5. Invite Visitors.
6. Call for Corresponding Messengers.
7. Appoint Various Committees.
8. Renew Invitations to Visitors.
9. Call Roll and Mark Absentees.
10. Call for the Reports of Committees.
11. General Business.
12. Adjourn.

G. W. BARNES, Chairman.

REPORT ON PREACHING

Rev. Henry Howard preach Friday night, followed by Rev. N. M. Grizzle and Rev. C. W. Ash.

Saturday, 11 a. m., Rev. Wiley Jones.

Saturday night, Rev. Poley Anderson and Rev. A. G. Barrett.

Sunday, 11 a. m., Rev. Fred Anderson and Rev. Dorsey Freeland.

GORDON PARKS, Chairman.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, beg leave to submit the following: We find that most of our churches report a Sunday school. We feel a Sunday school is a great help to a church and a community as well. We urgently insist that more of our older people take an active part in our Sunday schools. We also recommend that our Sunday school teachers be Christians in order to set the example before the children.

REV. C. W. ASH, Chairman.

Then the delegates took a recess for two hours and a half for dinner and preaching.

Then the delegates met back and called to order by the Moderator and led in prayer by Bro. John Howard.

Then Moderator called for rest of the Committees' reports.

REPORT ON QUERIES

We, your Committee on Queries, beg to report that there were no queries sent up from our churches.

TAYLOR DOWDY, Chairman.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following report: We should be temperate in all things except sin; we should abstain from any and all sins such as would cause our brother to become weak, for the Scripture says our tongue is full of deadly poison.

REV. N. M. GRIZZLE, Chairman.

REPORT ON FINANCE

We, your Committee on Finance, find that the churches sent in $54.88 for Minutes. We recommend that the Clerk be paid $5.00 for his services, then have as many minutes printed as remainder will pay for and distribute to the churches.

TAYLOR DOWDY, Chairman.

On motion the Clerk should keep $10 out for his services.

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT

We, your Committee on Pastoral Support, report the following: We recommend that our churches see that our preachers are not made poorer by serving us. We believe if more of our members would pay our preachers even if they can't give but just a little, we believe we would receive more blessings.

We believe that you will agree with us that just a few people in our churches pay our preachers. We feel if more of the members would pay just a little our preachers would be taken care of better. We don't feel like we ever lose anything by paying our preachers, for it is more blessed to give than to receive.

J. H. HOWARD, Chairman.

REPORT ON DECEASED MEMBERS

We, your Committee on Deceased Members, find that our Heavenly Father, in His just wisdom has seen fit to send the Death Angel into our midst and take from us the following:

Bethlehem lost two: Amanda Gillespie died the 24th day of July, 1945; lived a member 19 years; age unknown. R. L. Barrett died the 10th day of January, 1945; lived a member 4 months.

Duke's Creek lost three: Brother James Sims died in the Army the 7th day of April, 1945; lived a member several years; age not known. Brother Rufus Thomas died September 22, 1945; lived a member five years; age 67 years. Brother David Bishop died November, 1944; lived a member several years; age not known.

Nimblewili lost two: Sister Mary Waters Berry died the 30th day of September, 1945; lived a member many years; age 81 years and 12 days. Sister Alice Crane Gaddis died September the 30th, 1945; age 80 years; lived a member many years.

Mt. Olive lost one: Sister Ella E. Stephens died the 29th day of June, 1945; lived a member many years; age 64 years.

Philippi lost two: Sister Bell D. Morris died October 9th, 1944; lived a member 35 years; age 51 years. Brother Doss Anderson died August 30, 1945; lived a member 36 years; age 57 years.

Mt. Zion No. 2 lost one: Brother J. F. Souther died the 3rd day of August, 1945; lived a member many years; age 83 years.

J. L. GOOCH, Chairman.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following: That we are very grateful to Mt. Olive church and community for their kindness and brotherly love and good hospitality shown us during this session and pray that God will be with them in all their efforts.

T. R. CARDER, Chairman.

GENERAL BUSINESS

The next session of this Association will be held with East View Church 2½ miles north of Gainesville on Highway No. 13 beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1946.

Moderator appointed Rev. Scroggs Rogers, Rev. Dorsey Freeland and Joe Bryant to hold election to elect a preacher to preach the Introductory Sermon.

On motion you should be a member of this Association to be eligible to preach the Introductory Sermon.

Rev. A. J. Barrett was elected and Rev. C. L. Palmour alternate.

On motion this body adjourned until time and place mentioned above.

The Farewell Address was delivered by Rev. N. M. Grizzle, and the delegates took the parting hand and were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Gordon Parks.

J. E. GRIZZLE, Moderator,

Dahlonega, Ga.
C. H. STRINGER, Clerk,
Murrayville, Ga., Rt. 1.

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES	Meeting Days	Ordained Min.	Licentiates	Baptized	Rec. By Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Restored	Dead	Total Members	Money for Minutes
Antioch	Not Represented											
Bethlehem	Rev. C. L. Palmer, Murrayville, Rt. 1	1	1	0	2	0	6	0	0	2	147	3.05
Cane Creek	Not Represented											
Cavender's Creek	Rev. Eddie Grizzle, Dahlonega, Ga.	4	1	1	10	0	1	0	0	0	82	3.45
Cooper's Creek	Rev. Jackie Davis, Marget, Ga.	2	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	94	3.00
Concord	Rev. Eddie Grizzle, Dahlonega, Ga.	2	1	0	7	4	2	0	0	0	78	2.50
Corinth	Not Represented											
Duke's Creek	Rev. H. R. Howard, Cleveland, Ga.	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	42	1.75
East View	Rev. J. R. Cain, Oak Hill, Ga.	3	2	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	30	2.00
Hightower	Rev. Eddie Grizzle, Dahlonega, Ga.	1	0	0	6	0	0	0	1	0	78	2.85
Mt. Airy	Not Represented											
Mt. Gilead	Rev. H. D. Freeland, Dahlonega, Ga.	2	1	0	12	2	4	0	0	0	124	3.25
Mt. Olive	Rev. H. D. Freeland, Dahlonega, Ga.	4	1	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	114	3.00
Mt. Pisgah	Not Represented											
Mt. Sinai	Rev. Barnie Fields, Dahlonega, Ga.	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	39	2.50
Mt. Zion No. 2	Rev. Eddie Grizzle, Dahlonega, Ga.	3	1	0	12	0	0	0	0	1	216	3.00
Mt. Lebanon	Not Represented	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	146	2.00
Mt. Pleasant No. 2	Rev. G. W. Craig, McCaysville, Ga.	3	0	0	5	1	7	0	0	0	118	2.50
New Bethel	Rev. A. J. Barrett, Dahlonega, Ga.	2	1	0	1	3	3	3	0	2	124	2.60
Nimblewill	Rev. H. P. Chastain, Cartecay, Ga.	2	3	1	17	0	0	0	1	2	176	3.75
Philippi	Rev. Barney Fields, Dahlonega, Ga.	3	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	109	2.75
Pleasant Hill	Rev. John Justus, Dahlonega, Ga.	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	32	3.30
Pleasant Valley	Rev. John Justus, Dahlonega, Ga.	3	2	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	66	
Salem	Rev. John Justus, Dahlonega, Ga.	1	1	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	129	2.63
Town Creek	Rev. Claud Hood, Cleveland, Ga.	3	2	2	0	0	3	1	0	0	238	3.00
Yahoola	Rev. A. J. Barrett, Dahlonega, Ga.	2	1	1	6	2	2	0	0	0	85	2.00
	Total		23	7	93	15	36	4	3	11	2,167	$54.88